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Richard Oppen, Director
Montana Department of
Environmental Quality
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P.O. Box 200901
Helena, MT 59620-0901

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Docket No. SDWA-08-2007-0018

Oasis Bar and Cafe
250 Recreation Road
Wolf Creek, MT 59648
PWS ID# MT0001489

Dear Mr. Oppen:

The above referenced public drinking water system has violated certain provisions of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C. § 300f, et seq. and the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations at 40 C.F.R. part 141. The violations consist of exceeding the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for total coliform, exceeding the acute MCL for total coliform, failure to monitor for bacteriological quality, failure to conduct repeat sampling for each total coliform-positive routine sample, failure to conduct five routine samples the month after a total coliform-positive routine sample, failure to monitor nitrate/nitrite, failure to provide public notice, and failure to notify the State of the violations. Our records, obtained from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality's Public Water Supply Online Query Reports, indicate the violations noted below. Please notify Darcy O'Connor of my staff at (303) 312-6392 within 20 days if your records show any discrepancies with these determinations of violation.

<u>Date of Violation</u>	<u>Violation</u>
July 2003	Exceeded the acute MCL for total coliform bacteria. [40 C.F.R. § 141.63(a)(2)]
August 2003, June 2004, April 2006	Exceeded the MCL for total coliform bacteria. [40 C.F.R. § 141.63(b)]
Feb – April 2002, April 2004, September 2004, Nov – Dec 2004, April 2005, July 2005, Sep – Dec 2005, June 2006	Failure to monitor for bacteriological quality. [40 C.F.R. § 141.21 and ARM Chapter 38, Sub-Chapter 2, Section 17.38.215(1)(b)]
September 2002, May 2003	Failure to conduct repeat monitoring for each total coliform-positive routine sample. [40 C.F.R. § 141.21(b)]
October 2002, May 2003, September 2005, May 2006	Failure to conduct five routine samples the month after a total coliform-positive routine sample. [40 C.F.R. § 141.21(b)(5)]
2005	Failure to monitor for nitrate. [40 C.F.R. § 141.23(d)]
2002 – 2006	Failure to notify public of violations with the exception of the April 2004 failure to monitor for bacteriological quality. [40 C.F.R. § 141.201]
2002 – 2006	Failure to report the above-referenced violations to the State [40 C.F.R. §§ 141.21(g)(1), 141.21(g)(2) and 141.31(b)]

This NOTICE OF VIOLATION is issued pursuant to section 1414(a) of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(a). If the State does not commence appropriate enforcement action within 30 days from the receipt of this notification, the EPA is authorized either to issue an Administrative Order under section 1414(g) of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g) requiring the public water system to comply with the regulations or requirements, or to commence civil action under section 1414(b) of the SDWA, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(b).


Please inform EPA of any change in the compliance status of this system. You may wish to confer with my staff to determine the Agency's position concerning this system and to exchange appropriate information. If the State does not commence appropriate enforcement action within 30 days from the receipt of the notification, EPA will proceed with issuance of an administrative order. Our technical contact is Darcy O'Connor at (303) 312-6392.

A copy of this NOTICE OF VIOLATION has been concurrently sent to the system identified above. Also enclosed for the benefit of the System is a copy of EPA's Small Business Regulatory Enforcement and Fairness Act (SBREFA) fact sheet containing information on compliance assistance resources and tools available to small businesses. EPA has agreed to notify small businesses of their right to comment on regulatory enforcement activities at the same time of an EPA enforcement action. SBREFA does not eliminate the responsibility to comply with the SDWA.

Sincerely,



Diane L. Sipe, Director
Water Enforcement Program
Office of Enforcement, Compliance
and Environmental Justice



David J. Janik, Acting Director
Legal Enforcement Program
Office of Enforcement, Compliance
and Environmental Justice

Enclosure: SBREFA Fact Sheet

cc: Paul and Cathy Schulte (certified mail/return receipt requested w/Enclosure)
Robert D. Montanye, Registered Agent of Bob& Janey, LLC (w/Enclosure)
John Arrigo, MT DEQ (w/o Enclosure)



U. S. EPA Small Business Resources

If you own a small business, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) offers a variety of compliance assistance and tools to assist you in complying with federal and state environmental laws. These resources can help you understand your environmental obligations, improve compliance and find cost-effective ways to comply through the use of pollution prevention and other innovative technologies.

Hotlines, Helplines and Clearinghouses

EPA sponsors approximately 89 free hotlines and clearinghouses that provide convenient assistance regarding environmental requirements.

The National Environmental Compliance Assistance Clearinghouse provides quick access to compliance assistance tools, contacts, and planned activities from the U.S. EPA, states, and other compliance assistance providers: <http://www.epa.gov/clearinghouse>

Pollution Prevention Clearinghouse
<http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/library/ppicindex.htm>

EPA's Small Business Ombudsman Hotline can provide a list of all the hot lines and assist in determining the hotline best meeting your needs:
(800) 368-5888

Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act
(800) 424-9346

National Response Center (to report oil and hazardous substance spills)
(800) 424-8802

Toxics Substances and Asbestos Information
(202) 554-1404

Safe Drinking Water
(800) 426-4791

Stratospheric Ozone and Refrigerants Information
(800) 296-1996

Clean Air Technology Center
(919) 541-0800

Wetlands Helpline
(800) 832-7828

EPA Websites

EPA has several Internet sites that provide useful compliance assistance information and materials for small businesses. If you don't have access to the Internet at your business, many public libraries provide access to the Internet at minimal or no cost.

EPA's Home Page
<http://www.epa.gov>

Small Business Assistance Program
<http://www.epa.gov/ttn/sbap>

Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance
<http://www.epa.gov/compliance>

Compliance Assistance Home Page
<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/assistance>

Office of Regulatory Enforcement
<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/civil/index.html>

Office of Site Remediation Enforcement
<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/cleanup>

Innovative Programs for Environmental Performance
<http://www.epa.gov/partners>

Small Business Ombudsman
www.sba.gov/ombudsman

